

**Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Department of Consumer Affairs**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 416
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.12.2015**

STANDARDS FOR BIO-DIESEL

416. SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:
SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bureau of Indian Standards has set any standards for higher usage of bio-diesel in automobiles, locomotives, heavy engineering machines and generators;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in the matter to facilitate increased use of cost effective bio-diesel across the country?

ANSWER

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय मंत्री
(श्री राम विलास पासवान)

**THE MINISTER OF
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)**

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), through its relevant Section Committee has finalized the standard for higher usage of bio-diesel, which is currently under print.

(c) : In pursuance of the decision of the Cabinet taken on 16th January, 2015, the Government has issued notification on 10th August, 2015 to allow the sale of Bio-Diesel (B100) to bulk consumers like Railways, State Transport Corporations and other bulk consumers. Also, retailing of bio-diesel blended diesel by Oil Marketing Companies has started on World Biofuel Day, i.e., 10th August, 2015.
